Kansas Department of Health and Environment

Division of Public Health

Bureau of Epidemiology and Public Health Informatics

January 27, 2016 **Economic Impact Statement**

Pursuant to K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 77-416

PROPOSED REGULATIONS:

Uniform Vital Statistics Act (K.S.A. 65, Article 24)

Amended

K.A.R. 28-17-10 and 28-17-20

Revoked

K.A.R. 28-17-11

Executive Summary of Proposed Regulations

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment performs all functions and duties as necessary to meet the requirements set forth in the Uniform Vital Statistics Act (K.S.A. 65, Article 24). The Secretary has the duty to preserve official records. The State Registrar, under the supervision of the Secretary, collects all vital statistics and is the custodian of all files and records including data and certificates of birth, death, marriage, and adoption. Certified copies of records of vital records are furnished to applicants pursuant to the Act. The Secretary has the authority to amend necessary regulations regarding collecting, transcribing, compiling and preserving vital statistics and to revoke outdated regulations.

The changes to the regulations included in the package are being made to address minor changes and updates to which records can be amended and the required documentation necessary for amendments to records.

Summary of Regulation Changes

- K.A.R. 28-17-10. Application form requirements for registration of delayed birth certificates. This regulation is amended to correct the title of the regulation and language in the regulation to use the defined term "delayed certificate of birth." The regulation is also amended to clarify the documents required to be filed to register a delayed certificate of birth.
- K.A.R. 28-17-11. Disposition of supporting documents for delayed birth certificate registration. Revoked. This regulation is outdated and only contains directory language. KDHE retains affidavits and returns other documents to the registrant.
- **K.A.R. 28-17-20.** Corrections to certificates and records. This regulation is amended to update the procedures when making minor corrections to existing birth, death, stillbirth, marriage and divorce certificates. It is also amended to remove allowing corrections that are not considered minor and exceed the authority of the authorizing statute.

Are these regulations mandated by federal law as a requirement for participating in or implementing a federally subsidized or assisted program?

No

Do the proposed regulations exceed the requirements of applicable federal law?

No

Description of Costs:

a. Cost to the agency:

There is no increased annual cost to the agency to implement these amended regulations.

b. Cost to persons who will bear the costs and those who will be affected, (i.e., private citizens and consumers of the products or services) and are subject to the proposed rules and regulations or the enforcement:

There is no increased cost to private citizens or consumers to implement these amended regulations.

c. Costs to other governmental agencies or units:

There is no increased cost to other governmental agencies to implement these amended regulations.

Consultation with League of Kansas Municipalities, Kansas Association of Counties and the Kansas Association of School Boards.

The department does not anticipate that the proposed regulations will have any significant financial impact on these organizations. However, copies of the regulations, the economic impact statement, and the notice of hearing will be provided electronically to these organizations at the time of publication of the notice of hearing in the *Kansas Register*.